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For: **STRUCTURE OF MOUNTING** )  
**TERMINAL TO COVERED** )  
**ELECTRIC WIRE AND** )  
**METHOD THEREOF** )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

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1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-021543

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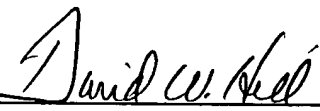
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